



**Minutes of Meeting
CITIZENS' EFFICIENCY COMMISSION
July 10, 2013**

ATTENDANCE

Citizens' Efficiency Commissioners

X	Jeff Adkisson		Frank McNeil
X	Daniel Cadigan	X	Mike Murphy
X	Jim Cimarossa	X	Drinda O'Connor
X	Josh Collins	X	Ken Page
X	Jerry Crabtree	X	Robert Plunk
	Gary Crompton	X	Kent Redfield
	James Donelan	X	J. D. Sudeth
X	Kevin Dorsey	X	Kenley Wade, Sr.
X	Cliff Erwin	X	Joan Walters
	Bob Gray	X	Robert Wesley
X	Karen Hasara		
X	Marilyn Kushak		

Others

Norm Sims- SSCRPC
Jeff Fulgenzi- SSCRPC
Amy Uden- SSCRPC

Jim Dixon- Central Illinois Trades and
Labor
Dr. Ashley Kirzinger- UIS

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Karen Hasara called the meeting of the Citizens' Efficiency Commission to order and welcomed commissioners and guests.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Hasara asked for approval of the June minutes. Mr. Josh Collins made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Joan Walters seconded the motion and the minutes were approved

III. INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chair Hasara thanked the commissioners for the sympathy cards and kind words expressed over the past few weeks. They are greatly appreciated.

Chair Hasara welcomed new appointee Mr. Ken Page to the Commission. Mr. Page is a Sangamon County appointee.

Mr. Norm Sims reported that the trip to Indianapolis is set for Tuesday, July 16. He encouraged anyone that had not yet signed up to go on the trip to do so by the end of the day. Those attending will meet at the Kmart parking lot at Dirksen & Clear Lake at 7:00 a.m.

Chair Hasara announced that the Mayors meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 7 at Lincoln Land Community College. The time is tentatively set for 6:00



p.m. Commissioners are encouraged to contribute to the agenda. All commissioners are encouraged to attend.

IV. PRESENTATION

Ms. Amy Uden presented a summary of her master's thesis "Local Government Fragmentation and Paths toward Regionalism". The paper was relevant to the CEC's on-going discussion because it examines various approaches to dealing with many fragmented units of government, and develops a tool for weighing these different approaches. Ms. Uden provided some examples of what these different approaches, such as linked functions or complex networks, might look like in Sangamon County.

V. PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION OF ON-GOING THEMES FOR FINAL REPORT

Mr. Norm Sims then facilitated a discussion of themes that Commissioners have seen throughout their work. Commissioners each offered their perspectives on what some of these themes might be. They commented on themes such as a need for improved communication, barriers to efficiency in state statute, and the importance of a new structure or a new way of doing business. SSCRPC indicated that they will incorporate all comments into a list of themes and send them out for CEC members to provide additional comment. Through this dialogue, SSCRPC staff hopes to develop an outline for the CEC's final report.

VI. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:

Administrative, Management, and Budget Committee:

Committee Chair Marilyn Kushak reported that the committee continues to investigate the legal requirements for government mandated annual published reports. Dr. Kent Redfield noted that there is a data issue with getting the information needed but that a recommendation will include requiring that reports be available on an agency's website. Ms. Kushak also reported that the committee is fine tuning a draft on group finance and bonding. This information will be shared at the mayors meeting. Finally, in the area of cooperative back office and joint payroll functioning Chair Kushak noted that Mr. Fulgenzi has a meeting with a payroll vendor this week to learn about payroll processes.

Next Committee Meeting Tuesday, August 6, 2013, 11:30 am; SSCRPC Conference Room 212.

Community Development Committee:

Committee Chair Erwin reported there will be a recommendation in the final report that building permits and public school transportation be studied further. He noted that his committee continues to work on the implementation of the Higher Education and Local units of government recommendation. Dr. Dorsey reported that there will be a meeting of education leaders on August 12th. Chair Erwin reported that this will also be on the agenda for the meeting of the Mayors. In conclusion, Mr. Erwin



reported that the committee is continuing to look at Sheila Simon's Classrooms First Report. They are looking at the area of school consolidation vs. cooperation such as shared superintendents as well as group buying for all schools both public and private.

Next Committee Meeting: Thursday, July 11, 2013, 3:00 pm; Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce Conference Room.

Public Safety Committee:

Committee Vice-Chair J.D. Sudeth explained that his committee is broken into the three subcommittees of law enforcement, fire protection, and the emergency services. These are very complex issues but it is anticipated that there will be a recommendation on law enforcement by the end of the CEC term. Mr. Sudeth noted that there was a meeting with the city of Springfield and the sheriff's office. More information on this meeting will be brought to the commission after the committee has had a chance to process the information.

Next Committee Meeting: August 7, 2013, 3:00 pm; Sangamon County Farm Bureau.

Public Works Committee:

Committee member Mr. Bob Wesley reported that his committee is working on 5 projects that will have recommendations before the end the of CEC term. Those 5 projects are sewers, recycling, shared administration, parts inventory and alternative fuels research. The group again noted that they found the tour of the SMSD very informative and were impressed with the technology, and professionalism of the new treatment plant.

Next Committee Meeting: Monday, August 12, 3:00 pm; SSCRPC Conference Room.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Vice-Chair Mike Murphy asked if there was any new business to come before the commission. There was none.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Vice-Chair Murphy invited members of the public to comment.

Mr. Robert Plunk reported on a shared township General Assistance agreement between Clear Lake and Rochester Townships. He noted that these townships had been thinking of this before the commission made this recommendation last year. He also noted the discovery of duplicated services with the Sangamon County Community Resources Department and Capitol Township. Mr. Erwin's committee will look in to this area of duplicated services.



Dr. Ashley Kirzinger, Director of the Center for Survey Research at UIS, was introduced. She provided a brief report on the Sangamon County Survey that had recently been completed.

It was noted that Mr. Jim Dixon on the board of the executive Board of Trades and Labor was a guest at today's meeting. The committee thanked him for coming to the meet today.

Next meeting date—August 14, 2013 at 3:00 PM, Location to be the Hoogland Center for the Arts.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments, Vice-Chair Murphy called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Dorsey made the motion with Ms. Kushak seconding. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Lewis
Acting as Recording Secretary